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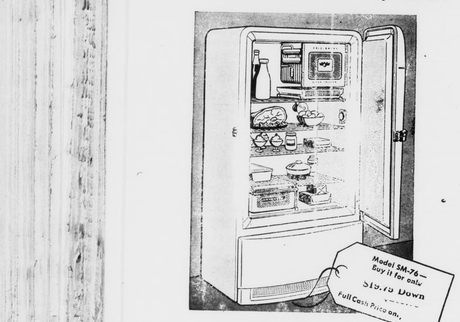

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Church News

Memorial Methodist Church
Appomattox, Virginia
R. Carl Maxwell, Minister

9:45 A. M., Sunday School. Claude W. Smith, Superintendent.

11:00 A. M. Revival Sermon by Dr. John C. Copenhaver. Topic: "Remember God's Grace." Anthem by Adult Choir.

7 P. M., Fellowships. Ages 9-21.

7:45 P. M. Song Service.

8 P.M. Revival Sermon by Dr. John C. Copenaver. Topic: "The Distance to God's Kingdom." Anthem by the Youth Choir.

Nursery at 11 A. M.

The Woman's Society of Christian Service will meet at the church at 7:30 P. M. Wednesday, June 21, with Mrs. C. T. Moses, Jr., president, presiding.

NEW HOPE BAPTIST CHURCH
John P. Leitner, Pastor

Sunday, June 18, 1950
Sunday School, 9:45 A. M.
W. D. O'Brien, Sup't.
Baptist Training Union, 7:15.
Mrs. W. D. O'Brien, Director.
Vacation Bible School Commencement and Worship Service at 8:00 P. M. Mrs. Howard Gilbert, Principal.

LIBERTY CHAPEL BAPTIST CHURCH
John P. Leitner, Pastor

Sunday, June 18, 1950
Sunday School 10:00 A. M.
Sam N. Thornhill Sup't.
Dedicatory Service, 11:00 A. M. and 2:00 P. M., with lunch on the church grounds.
Baptist Training Union, 7:30 P. M Mrs. Bernard Childers, director.

St. Anne's Episcopal Church
There will be services at 11:00 A. M. this Sunday at St. Anne's Episcopal Church.

Liberty Baptist Church
J. Marshall Walker, Minister
"The church with a welcome"
Sunday School, 9:30. C. S. Jenkins, Sup't.
Morning Worship, 11
Pastor preaching.
Baptist Training Union, 7.
Laura McFadden, Director.
Evening Worship, 8
Pastor preaching. Baptismal service.
Wed. Evening Prayer Service, 7:30.

Rev. F. M. Lucas Broadcasts Services

The Rev. Floyd M. Lucas will be heard at 11:00 o'clock each Sunday during the month of June over the Danville, Va. radio station. Rev. Lucas is a former pastor of Memorial Methodist Church here.

Uncle Sam Says

Each June 14 we pay honor to the Stars and Stripes on what is officially designated "Flag Day." Under that it is everyone's desire that it stays that way. It has been said that no country can ever be stronger than its people, citizens who are free in every way. One of the keystones in this freedom is financial security and your government has provided a safe, sure and automatic way of saving. It is U. S. Savings Bonds which can be piled up through the Payroll Savings Plan at work, the Bond-A-Month Plan at your bank, or for cash at your bank or post office.

U. S. Treasury Department

Senator Taft offers to aid tax relief plan.

West Virginia crash of a B-25 kills nine.

St. Louis Cardinals now ahead in National League.

REVIVAL MEETING

Dr. John C. Copenhaver, guest evangelist at the Memorial Methodist Church, will preach tonight at 8:15 P. M. on "Confessing Christ and Christ Confessing Us."

Friday night, June 16, he will use as his topic, "Miracles of Today." He will preach the closing sermon of the revival on Sunday, June 18, at 11 A.M. and 8:00 P. M.

Mr. A. G. Jefferson and his Booster Choir of boys and girls and the church choirs will lead the singing at the revival services tonight and Friday night at 7:45. The public is cordially invited to these services.

THE SUB-DISTRICT

The Methodist Youth Fellowship Sub-District will meet at Piney Ridge Methodist Church at 8 P. M. Tuesday, June 20. The motion picture, "Temple Bells," will be shown. David Martin, the newly elected president, will preside over the business session. The Rev. R. Carl Maxwell is Counselor.

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Father Darkleaf's Column

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Last Sunday was the anniversary of the Battle of Waterloo, where Napoleon met his final defeat in 1815. June 18, 1815, Wellington and Blucher did to the famed French Old Guard and sent Napoleon off to exile. But it is a rarity of history that the man who lost is now more famous than the men who won.

Monday, June 19, was the 94th anniversary of the birth in 1856, of Bert Hubbard, famed author, who went down on the Lusitania, 1914.

And last week was Flag Day, observed June 14. Then we honor the Red, White and Blue. Some few think only of blue. Blue is the state of their feelings. They keep a dark cloud in the mouth, and foresee only disaster and bankruptcy. Others see red. They keep looking under the bed for Communists. And yet others see white with fear and hesitate to do anything or attempt anything for fear they may mar the sheet of paper we start out with in writing our destiny. But, instead, the red stands for the blood of those who died the blue for the challenge of the horizon; and the white for the purity and honesty of purpose of pioneers for a better world. Let us not be blind.

C. A. Gurney, Superintendent at Appomattox Court House, has received the following letter from Mrs. Carlos L. Watts, of Keuka Manor, Keuka Park, N. Y.:

"As collector of unusual epitaphs and would like very much to add one which comes from Appomattox County House or the immediate vicinity. It reads: 'Richard Wright was born June 26, 1772. Died July 5, 1815, by the blood-stained hand of John Sweeney, Sr., who was armed with the knife, not a Loaded gun discharged a ball which penetrated the heart and caused the mortal wound.' Would appreciating too greatly on your time if I requested a correct copy of these epitaphs together with the location and a note concerning the history of the stone. If you do not know of the stone, perhaps you might refer me to a local historian who could help me." Any help?

Va. Bass Season Opened This Week

Virginia's top game fish, the black bass, became legal sport again with the opening of the season on June 1.

New regulations this year set the creel limit at 8 per day, 150 a season, with a size limit to 10 inches. The season until December 31 in all of the Blue Ridge and until 15 of 1951 east of the Blue Ridge.

According to C. W. Butler, Chief of the Fish Division of the Commission of Game and Inland Fisheries, 1950 should be a good year for the fishermen. Commissioner Fishwick has stocked streams of state heavily since last season. Together, the 44,150 smallmouth bass and 83,000 rainbow trout have been placed in suitable public waters throughout the Commonwealth. The limits, as they are, are expected to be increased in future years when a new smallmouth bass hatchery now under construction in Pocahontas County is finished and adds its output to the total.

Opening week crowds were expected to be heavy at the new Commission-built pond, Lake Gordon, in Mecklenburg County. Completed and stocked in the past year, June 20 will be the first day of fishing in its history.

Other famous waters are expected to draw their quota of anglers this year. The Shenendoah, the Holston and the James are well known for their smallmouth fishing and the Chickahominy has no peer in the largemouth realm.

Virginia anglers are fortunate in having so great a choice of good fishing waters within the borders of their state, and the Commission's long range stocking program is geared to maintain the fishing at its present high level.

Home Agents Schedule

Home Demonstration Agent's schedule, June 26 - July 1:

The demonstration for each club will be: good grooming and personal health.

Monday, June 26.- The Clover Hill Club will meet at 2:00 P. M. with Mrs. J. A. Connor. The discussion will be led by Mrs. W. H. Connor.

Tuesday, June 27.- The Trinity Club will meet at 2:00 P. M. with Mrs. Ashby Martin. The discussion will be led by Mrs. T. M. Martin and Mrs. R. E. M. ers, leaders.

Wednesday, June 28.- The Spout Spring Club will meet with Miss Sue Davidson at 2:00 P. M. The discussion will be led by Miss Virginia Shirey.

Mrs. B. G. Anderson, the Home agent and the following 4-H girls plan to attend the State Short Course at Blacksburg, June 26— July 1: Joyce McCormick, Lora Fleshman, Joann Jennings and Celia Jo Coleman.

Urges Safety on Part of New Operators

Richmond, June 21.- In an effort to inculcate safe driving in the minds of teen-agers, between the ages of 16 and 18, who have passed their first driving tests and received their operators license permits, Commissioner C. F. Joyner, Jr., of the Division of Motor Vehicles, has sent and will send in the future, the following personally addressed letter to them. 1270 such letters were mailed to new drivers between May 18 and June 12, and it is estimated that approximately 21,000 letters will be sent out during the twelve months period.

The text of the letter follows:

"It has been brought to my attention that you recently successfully completed your examination for a Virginia motor vehicle operator's license. I want to take this opportunity to commend you for the skill you have shown in passing these tests; and to pass along to you a word or two of friendly advice.

"The grades you received on your examination have resulted in the Commonwealth of Virginia bestowing upon you the privilege to operate a motor vehicle over its highways. It is especially important to you that you carefully preserve this privilege for it is not a right; and if you abuse it, your license to drive may be taken away from you. The little booklet, "Questions and Answers on the Motor Vehicle Code," given you to study for your examination, gives examples in which your driving permit will be revoked or suspended. Perhaps it will be wise for you to read this booklet to impress upon yourself the rules of the road and the penalties suffered for their violation.

"Be a good driver and observe the 'Golden Rule' of the road: 'Drive with the same courtesy and consideration for the other users of the highway that you would have them show you.'

"It is my hope that your driving record in the Division of Motor Vehicles will always remain as it is today . . . fresh and clean with no violations or accidents noted in your file."

Cancer Drive

The 1950 American Cancer Society has collected $787.58 in Appomattox County, it was announced today. The county quota is $900. Those who have not contributed to this cause are invited to do so at once in order that the quota may be reached.

Gets Degree

Edward S. Cates received his master's degree in rural social economics at the University of Virginia Monday, June 12.

For the past two years he has been assistante professor in economics at the U. of Va. Last summer he was with the Department of Agriculture. Two years ago he received his B. A. degree in English at the University. He also has 1 year's credit toward his doctor's degree in economics. He is 23 years old and served 2 1-2 years in the Navy in the war.

SKYLINE LEAGUE

Standings as of June 20

Team	W	L	Pct.
Appomattox	8	1	.888
Loanoke	7	4	.636
Buena Vista	5	3	.625
Brookneal	7	5	.583
Bedford	5	4	.555
Altavista	5	8	.384
Amherst	2	7	.222
Buckingham	2	9	.181

Brookneal's Skyline League ball club will play tonight in Appomattox at 8:15. Brookneal is the only league team to defeat the Green Sox this season.

Appomattox is now playing in the annual Virginia semi-pro tournament at Charlottesville. Wednesday night, Appomattox defeated the Atlantic Life team, of Richmond, in first round play in the tournament. Toney pitched for Appomattox and Earl Hartman led the hitting.

Results last week-end:
Friday: Appomattox 7, Amherst 7. (10 inning tie).
Sat.: Appomattox 11, Altavista 3.
Roanoke 9, Amherst 2.
Brookneal 11, Bedford 4.
Buckingham 5, Buena Vista 6.
Sunday:
Buena Vista 8, Buckingham 2.
Brookneal 9, Amherst 8. (10 innings).

Concord R 2

Concord, Route 2, June 21.- We are having a dry spell now which is nice for harvesting hay, oats and wheat. But the other crops really need rain.

Brent Stratton arrived Saturday night from Toledo, Ohio, on a business trip.

Mrs. W. H. Drinkard is spending this week in Lynchburg with her daughter, Mrs. Frank Jennings and other relatives.

Guy C. Cabell, Jr., received his degree from the University of Virginia last week.

Mrs. John Watson and family, of Staunton were week-end guests of her mother, Mrs. Lula Taylor and Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Taylor. They attended the Taylor and Price marriage in Lynchburg Saturday afternoon. Mr. Taylor is the grandson of Mrs. Lula Taylor.

The Bible School at Hebron will hold commencement exercises Friday evening at 8 P. M.

Rev. Twyman Williams filled his appointment at Stonewall Presbyterian Church and was the dinner guest of Mrs. S. E. Anderson and family.

Mrs. C. M. Stratton gave a dinner party last Thursday. Her guest list included Mr. and Mrs. Harry Tanner and Mrs. Albert Stone, of Lynchburg; Mrs. Elmo Stone, of Washington; Mr. and Mrs. Owen Carson, of Concord and Mrs. S. E. Anderson and Mrs. E. H. Carson, of Stonewall.

Quite a number of relatives and friends from a distance attended the funeral of Mrs. Jennie Stone Bondurant at Hebron Church last Saturday morning. Her daughter, Mrs. Eleanor Cochran, of El Paso, Texas, came by plane.

Mrs. Jennie Herdon spent last Wednesday with Mrs. H. B. Scruggs at Concord.

Sorry to hear of the illness of Mr. Lyle Caldwell. He was rushed to the hospital Monday.

Pamplin H. S. Baseball Team

Pamplin High School had an outstanding record in baseball for the season just closed. The school concentrated on basketball and baseball this year and fared well in each.

Not satisfied with having won both the district and regional basket ball crowns and goin to the semi-finals in the state championship before being defeated by the state champions, Garden High School of Buchanan County, the baseball team came right back and captured the District J. Group 3 crown at Lynchburg College when they defeated Gladys 5 to 3. Previously Pamplin had won from Amherst 4 to 2 in the district series opening game.

During the season, Pamplin was victorious in 10 of its 12 games.

Above: Pamplin High School Baseball Team.

Dial System Installation Progressing

W. S. Gills, Manager of the telephone system here announced today that the equipment for the dial system was shipped from the factory at Clifton, New Jersey on June 16, 1950 and should arrive in Appomattox by the latter part of this week. After arrival it will take about two months to install the equipment in the new dial office building which is located in the rear of the C. S. McDearmon property. Some idea of the amount of wiring necessary to make the installation may be gained by looking through the 8 pounds of wiring diagrams which came in ahead of the equipment.

Cables and wires will be brought into the new office underground from Lee Avenue and Church Street. This work is expected to be started within a few weeks by a contractor in this type of work from Lynchburg. The contract has already been let.

Installation of the dial telephone instruments in homes and business establishments will be started in July. The telephone instruments which have been on hand for some time are all modern handset models and a stock of both desk and wall type will permit the customer to choose the type most suitable to his need. The dial telephones will not actually be connected to the lines, however, until the time for the dial system to begin operation. When everything is ready a workman will return, remove the old telephone, connect and test out the dial telephone and leave a new telephone directory containing dialing instructions and all the new telephone numbers in Appomattox.

Barring unforseen difficulties, Mr. Gills thinks September 1, 1950 ought to see the new system in operation.

SPOUT SPRING BALL TEAM

The Spout Spring baseball team, behind the hitting and pitching of Mamond Mitchell, local high school player, defeated Clifford here Sunday, 13 to 6. The team will play Textile Field, of Lynchburg Saturday afternoon on the local school ball field. Pitching will be Calvin Tanner, another local high school player. The baseball club will sponsor a square dance at "Shorty" Thomas' place in Concord Saturday night, June 24, at 9 o'clock.

GAME AT PAMPLIN

There will be a Patrick Henry League ball game at Pamplin this Sunday at 3:15. The Republican Grays will be the opponent for Pamplin.

BEAR CATS GAMES

The Bear Cats played in Farmville Saturday and won 18 to 6.

They played the Glasgow Valley Clippers here Sunday and won 7 to 4. They will play the St. Gerard team here this Sunday at 3:15.

Tuesday, July 4, they will meet the Richmond Red Sox here in a double-header.

F. C. Dresser Named to Town Council

F. C. Dresser was elected a member of the Appomattox Town Council at the regular monthly meeting of the council held Monday night. He was named to serve out the unexpired term of F. L. Hurhpy, who resigned from the council upon his recent election to the county board of supervisors. The term runs until September, 1951.

Mr. Presser, local merchant, served several terms on the town council some years ago, and at that time was president of the council.

At the monthly business session, a major item considered was improvement of the street leading to Liberty Cemetery from the Christian corner. The town hopes to improve this street as soon as possible, and hopes to have it hard-surfaced when funds are available.

Liberty Bell Here Tonight

A replica of the famed Liberty Bell will be on exhibit in Appomattox tonight from 6 until 8 o'clock. On tour under the sponsorship of the Savings Bond Division of the Treasury Department the bell is an exact copy of the original bell now in Philadelphia. It weighs one ton. Local officials invite the people of the town and county to be here tonight promptly at six and see Liberty Bell.

Summer Recreational Program Enrolls 62

The summer recreational program started here Thursday, June 15, at the high school playground, with about 75 boys present for the 10 and under baseball teams. These boys were divided into four teams and chose the following names and captains for the league: The Indians chose Jerry George as captain; the Yankees chose Frank Carthorne; the Dodgers Carlton Guill and the Red Sox Sonny Buchanan. League play started Thursday, and here is the standing through June 20:

	W	L	Pct.
Indians	2	1	.667
Red Sox	2	1	.667
Dodgers	2	1	.333
Yankees	1	2	.333

The girls also started a softball team, with Shirley Mitchell and Virginia Chandler as captains. They plan to play on Tuesdays and Fridays. They need a few more girls to help make out the two games.

The swimming program started on Monday, June 19, at Holliday Lake. Here is some idea of how the classes were organized Monday. In the beginners class there were 32 enrolled for the summer. In the intermediate there were 16 enrolled. In the Junior Life Saving class 6 are enrolled. In the Senior Life Saving course 9 enrolled.

The instructors this year will be Guy Butler and L. D. Ould, who are certified Water Safety Instructors, having been sent to the Water Safety School by the local Red Cross last summer to take a course for two weeks. They will be assisted by Gordon Bragg.

These classes will be held at the lake every Monday from 2 to 5 P. M. Students are allowed to miss only 3 Mondays and if they miss more will not be eligible for a certificate.

The Cub Scouts will meet Tuesdays at 9:00 A. M. The Boy Scouts will meet Wednesday afternoons to organize a baseball team.

The American Legion team which practices on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday expects to start its game schedule some time this month.

The tennis tournament for the community will start July 1. Those desiring to enter should come by the playground now and sign up for pairings.

Vice-consul in Frankfurt kills self.

Tobin says U. S. puts an end to depression.

Play safe—drive carefully.

Appomattox Co. Population Set At 8,662

The Bureau of the Census has announced that the count to date of the returns of the census, taken as of April 1, 1950, shows that the population of Appomattox County is 8,662. This is a preliminary announcement and is subject to revision.

Preliminary figures for Buckingham County were 12,274.

The Appomattox figure represents a drop of nearly 400 since the 1940 census.

Lions Club Installs Officers

The Appomattox Lions Club will have a ladies night banquet tonight at 7 o'clock, at Maude's Hot Shop.

The occasion will feature the installation of new officers of the organization. John S. Grinels is the new club president.

Dist. Meeting Welfare Group

A District meeting of the Virginia Conference of Social Workers was held at the Appomattox County Library yesterday. E. P. Boyder, Superintendent of Henrico County Public Welfare Department, was the principal speaker, on the topic, social legislation. Counties and cities represented were: Danville, Campbell, Pittsylvania, Halifax, Prince Edward, Charlotte, Brunswick, Nottoway, Mecklenburg, Charles City and Appomattox.

R.A. O'Brien Jr. Wins Honors

Robert Alfred O'Brien, Jr., carried off five prizes and was runner-up for two others at the St. Christopher's Upper School, Richmond, commencement last week.

Young O'Brien is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. F. A. O'Brien, of Appomattox.

Outdoor Square Dance Here on June 30

On Friday, June 30, at 8:00 P. M. at the Lee Theatre Park, a community Family Fun Night will be held under the direction of Cecil Adams, of Lynchburg. There will be square dancing, games, songs, skits and refreshments. Donations will be for the local summer recreational program.

Liberty Chapel

Liberty Chapel, June 20.- Dedication service was held at the Liberty Chapel Church Sunday. Spepial music was rendered by Mrs. J. H. O'Brien, Mr. and Mrs. Bee Reese, Mr. Everett Tolley and Mrs. R. R. Leftwich. After lunch the Childress Brothers, sons of Mrs. John Childress dedicated several cakes, first to the pastor, the Rev. John P. Leitner, and then to the oldest and youngest parents and members.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Gunter and Mrs. Lillian Thornhill, of Roanoke were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Gunter.

Mrs. Emily Chernault is spending some time in the home of W. W. Thornhill.

Dedication Service And Homecoming

Dedication services, homecoming, and Father's Day were observed at Liberty Chapel Baptist Church last Sunday. The Rev. John P. Leitner, pastor, and former pastors L. P. Brown and O. G. Burnette participated in the service. Gifts were presented to the oldest mother, oldest father, oldest member and youngest mother and father.

Senate votes to expand coverage of social security.

U. S. plans investigation of food purity.